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TWILIGHT

BY EDITH BOOMER

The day is gone forever,
With its wealth of sunshine bright,
And the twilight shadows never
Seemed so lovely as to-night.

For the All-wise God has blended
Brilliant day and darkness deep,
Like a pause 'twixt night suspended
And reluctant daylight's sleep.

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That the twilight, softly creeping,
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TIME

BY RUTH I. LA PORTE '14

TIME is of more value than gold; every moment is a precious gem, for it offers us opportunities which when improved result in our ultimate success.

The way in which we improve each moment of our school life is how our future worth and standing among our fellow beings will be measured. How we use our time is a solemn question; but when using our time are we deriving any benefit from the things in which we engage?

The best way to use time to a practical advantage is to plan work and recreation, having a specific and systematic order for all things; for performing a certain amount of work in a given time prevents us from becoming dilatory and occupying more time for a given task than is actually necessary.

Time, that is past, is beyond recall. When we realize that the moment we waste to-day will never present itself to us again, we cannot but comprehend the sacredness of time. But it is possible in a measure to redeem time, and wise is the person who, after having wasted time, resolves that with God's help he will do all within his power to recover that which he has wilfully lost.

We are all equally blessed with time, but some appear to have more leisure time than others. Our time is God given and must be accounted for. Will we daily loose golden moments which in the judgment will be counted against us as so many wasted days and opportunities? No, indeed not. Let us make each moment blossom with true service and faithful work, helping where we see we are needed.

But in the hurry and work do not forget to obtain the right amount of beneficial recreation, that is, when it is really needed. There is danger of calling mere idleness recreation; but this is false. If possible make even your recreation of value.

Then let each one of us as students of Forest Home Academy arouse and be "Minute Men," that is, let us watch jealously each moment as it goes fleeting by.

"Are you in earnest? seize this very minute,
What you can do, or think you can, begin it."



MISSIONARIES FROM FOREST HOME

IT is with a certain degree of pride that a school looks out upon the world and sees men and women who are holding influential positions of usefulness, who were at one time sitting in the same school room and studying the same lessons that we are. This is a source of great encouragement both to teachers and students. It makes a teacher feel that his work has not been in vain, and it

inspires a student with a desire to improve every opportunity which comes to him, that he too may hold some position of usefulness. It was for the purpose of training young people to work in the Master's vineyard, both at home and in foreign countries that Forest Home Academy was established, and that purpose has been held uppermost in the minds of the students.

The first student of Forest Home Academy who sailed for a foreign country, was Miss Louise Hall of Kelso, Washington. Miss Hall attended the Academy the first year of its existence and was graduated at the close of that term, in 1905. The next summer she accepted a position as proof-reader at the Pacific Press. She held this position for two years, during which time she was united in marriage to Mr. B. A. Roberts who was one of the foremen of the printing department. Soon a call came for Mr. Roberts to take charge of the printing in China, which he accepted. Mrs. Roberts has assisted her husband in the China printing office besides doing personal missionary work until last fall, when she returned to America on furlough for one year. Her furlough has not been an idle one, for after a few weeks spent in visiting friends and relatives in Washington, she went to California where she secured a position as proof-reader in the Pacific Press. Next summer she expects to return to China to resume her duties in that field.

Mrs. George Harlow, formerly Miss Cassie Ham was the next to sail for a foreign field. After Miss

Ham was graduated from the Academy in 1907, she attended Walla Walla College for some time. After finishing the Normal Course she was married to Mr. George Harlow of Walla Walla College. Soon after leaving school, a call came for them to go to China, which they were glad to accept. At the present time Mrs. Harlow is assisting her husband in evangelical work in Shanghai, China.

In the summer of 1909, Mr. William Furber, one of the pioneers of Forest Home, was asked to make Alaska his field of labor. For over a year he sold books and held meetings among the Indians of Alaska. One day his friends were greatly surprised to hear that he was in Seattle and was to be united in marriage to Miss Erna Whitting, a former student at the Academy. When he was asked to explain, his only reply was; "Go to Alaska and try batching for a year, then you will understand." Mr. and Mrs. Furber are now in Alberta on a homestead, but they expect to go to Alaska in the near future.

Mr. Benjamin Hoffman, who attended the Academy for several years, sailed with his wife for Japan in August, 1912. After leaving Forest Home, Mr. Hoffman attended Walla Walla College for some time. At this time, he and his wife, formerly Miss Guthrie, were asked to attend the Foreign Mission Seminary under appointment to Japan. Mr. Hoffman is now in Japan studying the language preparatory to taking up evangelical work in the cities.

Besides these who have gone to distant fields are many who are doing efficient work in the home field, preparatory to going to foreign fields. Undoubtedly the next to leave the home field as representatives of Forest Home Academy will be Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Ham, who are attending the Foreign Mission Seminary under appointment to China. Both Mr. Ham and his wife, formerly Miss Fern Wilcox, are pioneer students of the Academy.

With this brief survey of the field we see our school has representatives giving the message of life to those in the foreign as well as in the home field. At this each one should take courage and determine that when our school work is over, the future students and teachers of Forest Home Academy may look out upon the world and receive encouragement as a result of our faithful work.

A. E. H.



LITERATURE WORK IN INDIA

BY C. E. WEAKS

IT has been nearly three years since we reached the shores of India to begin the task of organizing our literature work in this needy field, and while many difficult problems have faced us, they have been years of interesting experiences and many blessings. The Missionaries life is not one of romance but of hard work. To give the readers of THE FORESTONIAN a

glimpse of some of the hard work that one coming to India faces, especially one coming for the canvassing field, I glean a brief paragraph from a weekly report received from one of our faithful colporteurs who has now spent three and one-half years in this field:

"Following is my report for week ending February 3rd. At 1 P. M. January 27, I was at Yercand, elevation 4000 feet above Salem. Coasted down to Salem, took train and arrived in the night at Jalarpet. Distance 95 miles.

January 28, canvassed Jalarpet and arrived at Katpadi in the evening. Distance 52 miles.

January 29, canvassed Vellore and Katpadi and arrived at Chittoor in the evening. Distance 21 miles.

January 30, canvassed Chittoor and arrived at Cuddapah next morning. Distance 128 miles.

January 31, canvassed in Cuddapah.

February 1, canvassed in Cuddapah and arrived in Gooty the next morning. Distance 96 miles.

February 2, canvassed Gooty and arrived at Kurnool next morning. Distance 93 miles.

Total distance for week, 485 miles. Time canvassing, 48 hours; travel, 28 hours. Total 76 hours.

I am now enjoying a Sabbath rest at the Traveller's Bungalow, Kurnool, having enjoyed but one such luxury, (the luxury of a room) January 31st, at Cuddapah, during the week."

Supplement to THE FORESTONIAN

This morning, March 3rd, at 3 A. M. only a few hours after THE FORESTONIAN came off the press, the Academy suffered, by fire, the loss of one of its buildings, which contained the store, laundry, dry room, heating plant and a students' room. The building is a total loss and practically nothing was saved. It was only thru the heroic efforts of the students and neighbors that the dormitories were saved. As it was, West Hall sustained slight damage. Several of the students lost some clothing.

More particulars will be given in the next issue.



The reader will see by this report that canvassing in India is no Child's play, but real work, with a certain amount of hardships and exposure. The travelling above referred to is not done in a railway carriage like the ones that our canvassers in the North-Pacific are accustomed to travelling in where they pay three cents a mile. While we have coaches so arranged that one can travel in the greatest comfort, yet this means travelling first or second class which costs from one to three cents per mile. This is too expensive for the Missionary who can travel intermediate or third class by paying a half cent per mile or less. These coaches are often divided into small compartments with hard wooden benches for seats. Everyone travelling in India carries his own bedding, so these wooden benches can often be made quite comfortable if one has plenty of blankets. Each worker carries his own lunch basket and cooking utensils, as restaurants and boarding houses can not be patronized as in the home land. One must even carry his own boiled drinking water, and the extremely hot weather calls for an abundant supply.

While difficulties confront the canvasser, the widely scattered English speaking population can scarcely be reached in any other way. Often but three or four families live in a town, so it is useless to think of placing a minister or regular worker in each of the hundreds of isolated districts. The canvasser must go and "hunt them from every mountain, and from every hill and out of the holes of the rocks."

The Lord has richly blessed our little band of canvassers during the past year. Many of our Message filled books and papers have been scattered in all parts of India, Burma and Ceylon. Our force of workers has been greatly depleted of late by the taking of men from this line to fill other important places. We have requested the Mission Board to send us two more canvassers within the next few months. Possibly some of the FORESTONIAN readers would be glad to respond to this call.

I have just closed a colporters' institute for our Tamil workers who are laboring in the far South of India. It has been quite different to the ones we used to hold in the Forest Home Academy. The workers left the Mission Bungalow this evening for their various territories in this division of the field. In a few days I am leaving for Calcutta, a distance of 1500 miles where I will hold a similar meeting with our Bengal colporters. Pray for our Indian Canvassers.



BIOGRAPHY OF MISS LOFGREN

One cold winter day in February, 1891, there was cause for rejoicing in one of the homes of Warren, Minnesota; a fat, bright-eyed, little baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lofgren. Altho the day was drear with bitter cold and the wind was whistling round the corners of the house, piling the snow up in great drifts,

all was sunshine and happiness inside at the thought that a baby girl had come to brighten their home.

This little girl grew as fast as ever a baby grew, and before many years had passed, she joined the happy throng of school children. For a few days she was a little bashful and perhaps frightened but soon she learned the teacher was kind instead of ugly and mean as she had heard before. She took great interest in her school work, and the rest had to work if they kept up with her.

When Miss Lofgren was sixteen years of age, her parents decided to try their fortune on the Pacific Coast. They made their home in Seattle and there Miss Lofgren again entered school, and in a few months finished the eighth grade. Almost immediately she entered the Ballard High School, where she won distinction because of her studious character. At this time Miss Lofgren decided to attend Walla Walla College the coming year. After two years of hard study there, she was presented with a diploma which shows that she completed the Elementary Normal Course.

Almost before commencement exercises were over Miss Lofgren was asked to teach the church school at Colby, which she taught for two years. When Forest Home was in need of a teacher for the Primary Department, Miss Lofgren was chosen. She has won many friends at Forest Home and all were glad to hear, after the recent Board meeting, that she will be here next year.

A. E. H.

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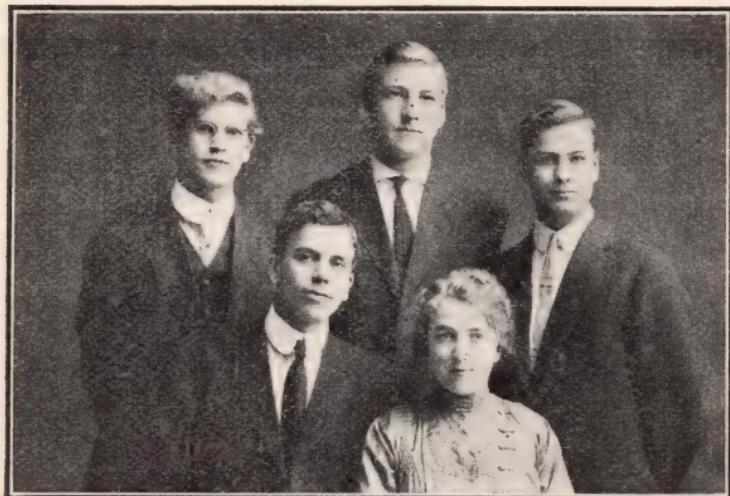
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We are glad to include in this number of THE FORESTONIAN an article from one "at the battles front." The majority of our readers are no doubt acquainted with Brother C. E. Weak, and well remember his past visits to Forest Home in search for canvassers. His appeal for more canvassers sounds familiar, and we hope it will not be passed by unheeded.

The students of this school are as individuals, units in an army, not for the purpose of destroying, but to save. An army to be efficient must have its ranks filled with those who feel a personal responsibility and that they are a part of the organization. In order to instill this feeling within them, it is necessary to give each a knowledge of the purpose and workings of the organization. A good step has been taken by our Principal toward the accomplishing of this work, by devoting the time of the chapel period, several times during the past month to the study of our denominational organization. Time spent this way broadens the students' knowledge of our work, and can result only in good to those who take an interest in the study.



A. E. Hollenbeck, 1st Bass A. H. Larson 2nd Tenor
D. D. Rees, 1st Tenor C. W. Degering, 2nd Bass
Miss Eunice Rasmussen, Pianist

The third number of the Lecture Course was given the evening of February 8, by the Dacea Male Quartet before an appreciative audience. The Quartet and their Pianist are shown in the above cut.

CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express our gratitude to the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the sickness and death of our daughter, Miss Tillie Rollins.

Moses Rollins
Rebecca Rollins

February 6th, the school was favored by a short visit from Elder W. B. White; President of the Atlantic Union Conference, formerly of the North Pacific Union Conference. In the evening he spoke in the chapel on the subject of "Personal Work." The talk was very interesting and greatly appreciated by all present.

After an illness of about a week, Miss Tillie Rollins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Rollins, passed away, the morning of the 15th. The following day funeral services were held at the home, Professor S. L. Frost speaking words of comfort.

Mr. Harold Cornell is back in school again after having been called home, Feb. 16, by the death of his younger brother, Merton. While home his uncle, Mr. R. T Cornell, who had been in ill health for some time, also passed away.

The Academy Board was in session Thursday, Feb. 20. Those in attendance from a distance were Elders Johnson, Nellis, Holbrook, Boynton, Stone, Dr. Scott, and Brother Green. Professor Stiles and Brother Rittenhouse were also visitors at the school on the same date.

"Grandpa" and "Grandma" Pettigrove have come to live at Forest Home again. It reminds one of pioneer days to see "Grandpa" at meeting and hear him tell how happy he is. Altho he is eighty-three years of age, he is just as full of life as in the early days of Forest Home.

At the recent Board meeting plans were laid for beginning our new Academy building at once.

Two very interesting programs have been given by the Y. P. M. V. S. during the past month. The first by the junior division, which showed careful drilling of the children by the teacher. The following week a temperance program was given, which emphasized the evil of liquor and narcotics.

In order to accommodate some recent arrivals, it has been necessary to place a partition in the boys' parlor, thus making one more room for students, and still they come.

Accepting the invitation of the spring weather to "come out in the sunshine," a day, during the past month, was devoted by the teachers and students to the "annual clean-up" of the premises. Many willing hands made a very noticeable change in the appearance of things in a short time.

Our Literary Editor, having been compelled to drop his school work for an indefinite length of time, has necessitated a change in our staff. This number is being issued with Miss Anna Giddings, of the Senior class, acting as News Editor, and Mr. Arthur Hollenbeck as Literary Editor. After this number, however, by vote of the student body, Miss Marian Heywood, a member of the Junior class, will act as Assistant Literary Editor.

A few mornings of skating, from 7:00 to 8:00 A. M., have been enjoyed by some of the boys the past month.

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